

# CSC3320 System Level Programming

## Lab Assignment 4 - Part 2 (Out of lab)

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Due at 11:59 pm on Friday, Feb. 12 2021

Purpose: Practices on the grep, fgrep, egrep, sed , awk, and sort commands for text processing.

Note: Please follow the instructions below, and write a report by answering the questions and upload the report (named as **Lab4\_P2\_FirstNameLastName**.pdf or .doc) to the Google Classroom Out of Lab Assignment folder

Please add the lab assignment NUMBER and your NAME at the top of your file sheet.  
The following table is from Wikipedia. It shows the eleven highest mountains

in Georgia.

Brasstown Bald,  
(summit),4784,feet,Union County  
Rabun Bald,  
(summit),4696,feet,Rabun County  
Dick's Knob,  
(summit),4620,feet,Rabun County  
Hightower  
Bald,

(summit),4568,feet,Towns County  
Wolfpen Ridge, (ridge high point),4561,feet,Towns and Union  
Counties  
Blood Mountain, (summit),4458,feet,Union County  
Tray Mountain, (summit), 4430,feet,Towns County  
Grassy Ridge, (ridge high point),4420,feet,Rabun County  
Slaughter Mountain, (summit),4338,feet,Union County  
Double Spring Knob, (summit),4280,feet,Rabun County

Coosa Bald, (summit),4280,feet,Union County

In above table, each line contains 5 fields separated by comma. Open your terminal and connect to snowball server. After that, go to directory Lab4 (cd ~/Lab4) and please download the file " mountainList.txt" by the following command (internet access required):

cp /home/frondel/Public/mountainList.txt mountainList.txt Be sure it succeeds using "ls" to see the file name "mountainList.txt" listed.

1) Use grep to print all lines where the mountains are at Towns or Union County.

**grep -E 'Towns|Union' mountainList.txt**

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### Sample Output

```
Brasstown Bald ,(summit),4784,feet,Union County
Hightower Bald, (summit),4568,feet,Towns County
Wolfpen Ridge, (ridge high point),4561,feet,Towns and Union Counties
Blood Mountain, (summit),4458,feet,Union County
Tray Mountain, (summit), 4430,feet,Towns County
Slaughter Mountain, (summit),4338,feet,Union County
Coosa Bald, (summit),4280,feet,Union County
```

2) Use wc and grep to count the number of mountains located at Rabun County.

Hint: please use pipe | .

**grep "Rabun" mountainList.txt | wc -l**

### Sample Output

```
4
```

3) Finish task 2) by using only grep.

Hint: open the manual page of grep, and check -c option.

**grep -c "Rabun" mountainList.txt**

4) A. Type command sed 's/ridge high point/r.h.p./p' mountainList.txt and execute it. Then attach a screenshot of the output.

```
[mpatel185@gsuad.gsu.edu@snowball Lab4]$ sed 's/ridge high point/r.h.p./p' mountainList.txt
Brasstown Bald, (summit),4784,feet,Union County
Rabun Bald, (summit),4696,feet,Rabun County
Dick's Knob, (summit),4620,feet,Rabun County
Hightower Bald, (summit),4568,feet,Towns County
Wolfpen Ridge, (r.h.p.),4561,feet,Towns and Union
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Counties
Blood Mountain, (summit),4458,feet,Union County
Tray Mountain, (summit), 4430,feet,Towns County
Grassy Ridge, (r.h.p.),4420,feet,Rabun County
Grassy Ridge, (r.h.p.),4420,feet,Rabun County
Slaughter Mountain, (summit),4338,feet,Union County
Double Spring Knob, (summit),4280,feet,Rabun County
Coosa Bald, (summit),4280,feet,Union County
[mpatel185@gsuad.gsu.edu@snowball Lab4]$
```

B. Type command `sed -n 's/ridge high point/r.h.p./p' mountainList.txt` and execute it. Then attach a screenshot of the output.

```
[mpatel185@gsuad.gsu.edu@snowball Lab4]$ sed -n 's/ridge high point/r.h.p./p' mountainList.txt
Wolfpen Ridge, (r.h.p.),4561,feet,Towns and Union
Grassy Ridge, (r.h.p.),4420,feet,Rabun County
[mpatel185@gsuad.gsu.edu@snowball Lab4]$
```

C. Open the manual page of sed and describe what does `-n` do in sed?

### Output of changed lines only

D. Describe what does the sed command in (B) do?

### Replace “ridge high point” to “r.h.p”

5) Use sed to remove the leading spaces in "mountainList.txt" and print out the processed lines.

**sed 's/^[[:space:]]\*//g' mountainList.txt**

6) Finish task 5) and save the output to file "newList.txt".

**cp mountainList.txt newList.txt**

7) Use sed to list the lines beginning with white spaces in "mountainList.txt". **Sample Output**

**sed -n -e '/^ /p' mountainList.txt**

```
Brasstown Bald, (summit),4784,feet,Union County
      Hightower Bald, (summit),4568,feet,Towns County
Blood Mountain, (summit),4458,feet,Union County
      Grassy Ridge, (ridge high point),4420,feet,Rabun County
```

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- 8) Use sed to delete the lines where the mountains are only at Union County  
in "mountainList.txt".

**sed -i '/Union County/d' mountainList.txt**

**Sample Output**

```
Rabun Bald, (summit),4696,feet,Rabun County
Dick's Knob, (summit),4620,feet,Rabun County
      Hightower Bald, (summit),4568,feet,Towns County
Wolfpen Ridge, (ridge high point),4561,feet,Towns and Union Counties
Tray Mountain, (summit), 4430,feet,Towns County
      Grassy Ridge, (ridge high point),4420,feet,Rabun County
Double Spring Knob, (summit),4280,feet,Rabun County
```

- 9) Use sed to remove the middle three fields in each line of  
"mountainList.txt". Hint: Think about the meaning of regex

'[^,]' sed -r 's/,([^\,]\*){3},/,/g' public/mountainList.txt

**sed -r 's/,+//2' mountainList.txt**

**Sample Output**

```
      Brasstown Bald,Union County
Rabun Bald,Rabun County
Dick's Knob,Rabun County
      Hightower Bald,Towns County
Wolfpen Ridge,Towns and Union Counties
      Blood Mountain,Union County
Tray Mountain,Towns County
      Grassy Ridge,Rabun County
Slaughter Mountain,Union County
Double Spring Knob,Rabun County
Coosa Bald,Union County
```

10) Use awk to finish task 9).  
**awk '/^ /p' mountainList.txt**

11) Use sed to insert a new line "Table: Eleven highest mountains in Georgia" at the beginning of "mountainList.txt".

**sed -i '1i Table: Eleven highest mountains in Georgia' mountain.txt**

12) Use sort to print out the sorted lines in alphabetical order according to the names of mountains.

**sort mountainList.txt**

13) Use sort to print out the sorted lines in descending order according to the height of mountains.

**sort -r mountainList.txt**

14) "When a pattern groups all or part of its content into a pair of parentheses, it captures that content and stores it temporarily in memory. You can reuse that content if you wish by using a back-reference, in the form:\1 or \$1, where \1 or \$1 reference the first captured group" (Refer to [1]). For example, the following command add a colon between Union and County

**sed -E 's/(Union)\s(County)/\1:\2/g' mountainList.txt**

Attach a screenshot of the output of the above sed command.

```
[mpatel185@gsuad.gsu.edu@snowball Lab4]$ sed -E 's/((Union)\s(County))/\1:\2/g' mountainList.txt
Table: Eleven highest mountains in Georgia
      Brasstown Bald, (summit),4784,feet,Union:County
Rabun Bald, (summit),4696,feet,Rabun County
Dick's Knob, (summit),4620,feet,Rabun County
      Hightower Bald, (summit),4568,feet,Towns County
Wolfpen Ridge, (ridge high point),4561,feet,Towns and Union
Counties
      Blood Mountain, (summit),4458,feet,Union:County
Tray Mountain, (summit), 4430,feet,Towns County
      Grassy Ridge, (ridge high point),4420,feet,Rabun County
Slaughter Mountain, (summit),4338,feet,Union:County
Double Spring Knob, (summit),4280,feet,Rabun County
Coosa Bald, (summit),4280,feet,Union:County
[mpatel185@gsuad.gsu.edu@snowball Lab4]$
```

15) Now can you write a command to finish task 9) using sed with  
back

reference?

**sed -E 's/,.\*,/,/' mountainList.txt**

Useful Links:

[1] Introducing Regular Expression - Capturing Groups and Back

references <https://www.safaribooksonline.com/library/view/introducing-regular-expressions/9781449338879/ch04.html>

[2] Drew's grep tutorial

<http://www.uccs.edu/~ahitchco/grep/>

[3] Grep and Regular Expressions!

<http://ryanstutorials.net/linuxtutorial/grep.php>

[4] Web Scrapping with Regular Expressions

<https://www.datascraping.co/doc/22/regular-expression>